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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION WITH KING HUSSEIN

1. ON JUNE 20, I HAD VERY SHORT MEETING WITH KING.
 2. IN ADDITION TO DETAILS REPORTED SEPTEL, KING TOLD ME HE CONTINUES TO BE DISCOURAGED BY STATEMENTS OF BEGIN AND GENERAL ISRAELI APPROACH.
 3. I DESCRIBED FOR HIM IN SOME DETAIL MONDALE'S POLICY SPEECH OF LAST WEEKEND WHICH HE HAD NOT YET HAD A CHANCE TO READ.
 4. KING STILL PREOCCUPIED WITH NEED FOR IMPROVED ARAB COORDINATION. HE WILL VISIT PRESIDENT ASAD IN DAMASCUS ON JUNE 22. HE SAID HE HOPES ALSO TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA VERY SOON, PERHAPS AS EARLY AS SATURDAY, JUNE 25.
 5. I TOLD KING WE SEEMED TO BE NEAR TO SIGNATURE ON FMS 76 SAUDI GUARANTEE. HE SAID THAT
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- WAS GOOD NEWS. HE INDICATED ALSO THAT HE HOPED TO DISCUSS AGAIN WITH SAUDIS AT HIGHEST LEVEL \$140 MILLION PROBLEM.
6. IN RESPONSE TO EARLIER QUESTION FROM DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT JORDAN HAS PROVIDED SAUDIS WITH COPY OF MY LETTER TO

COURT CHIEF SHARAF WHICH, INTER ALIA, DISCUSSES
QUESTION OF ON-GOING U.S. DRAWDOWN OF SAUDI FMS
ACCOUNT IN FAVOR OF JORDAN HAWK PROGRAM. IN VIEW
OF KING'S IMPENDING VISIT AND STRONG POSSIBILITY
HE WILL USE OUR LETTER TO HIM AT THAT TIME, I
SUGGEST WE WAIT FOR RESULTS THAT VISIT BEFORE
CONSIDERING ANY DIRECT CONTACTS WITH SAUDI ARABIANS
ON ISSUE CONTINUING DRAWDOWN THEIR ACCOUNT.
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